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Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism Commission

Notice of Public Hearing

A public hearing will be conducted by the Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism Commission at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 17, 2013 at the Kansas Cosmosphere and Space Center, 1100 N. Plum, Hutchinson, Kansas, to consider the approval and adoption of proposed regulations of the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism.

A general discussion and workshop meeting on business of the Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism Commission will begin at 1:30 p.m., October 17 at the location listed above. The meeting will recess at approximately 5:30 p.m. then resume at 7:00 p.m. at the same location for the regulatory hearing and more business. There will be public comment periods at the beginning of the afternoon and evening meeting for any issues not on the agenda and additional comment periods will be available during the meeting on agenda items. Old and new business may also be discussed at this time. If necessary to complete business matters, the Commission will reconvene at 9:00 a.m. October 18 at the location listed above.

Any individual with a disability may request accommodation in order to participate in the public meeting and may request the meeting materials in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation to participate in the meeting should be made at least five working days in advance of the meeting by contacting Sheila Kemmis, Commission Secretary, at (620) 672-5911. Persons with a hearing impairment may call the Kansas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at 1-800-432-0698 to request special accommodations.

This 60-day notice period prior to the hearing constitutes a public comment period for the purpose of receiving written public comments on proposed administrative regulations.

All interested parties may submit written comments prior to the hearing to the Chairman of the Commission, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism, 1020 S. Kansas Ave, Suite 200, Topeka, KS 66612 or to sheila.kemmis@ksoutdoors.com if electronically. All interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity at the hearing to express their views orally in regard to the adoption of the proposed regulations. During the hearing, all written and oral comments submitted by interested parties will be considered by the commission as a basis for approving, amending and approving, or rejecting the proposed regulations.

The regulations that will be heard during the regulatory hearing portion of the meeting are as follows:

K.A.R. 115-2-1. This permanent regulation sets fees for various issues of the department. The proposed amendments would reduce resident and nonresident youth turkey, antelope and deer permit prices.

Economic Impact Summary: The proposed fee structure will result in a reduction to the wildlife fee fund of approximately \$191,430. However, it is anticipated that there will be an increase in

youth participation that will offset part of the fee fund reduction but any amount is purely speculative at this point. Otherwise, the amendments will not have any negative economic other agencies, small businesses or the public.

K.A.R. 115-7-10. This permanent regulation sets special provisions for fishing. The proposed amendments would prohibit fishing or collection of bait within a fish passage, as defined in the regulation, in order to reduce user conflicts.

Economic Impact Summary: The proposed amendments will not have any appreciable negative economic on the department, other agencies, small businesses or the public.

K.A.R. 115-25-6. This exempt regulation establishes the bag limits, permits, and game tags for the spring turkey season. The proposed changes would change opening dates beginning in 2015, splitting the youth season opening date away from the archery season and moving back the firearms season opening date back by one week.

Economic Impact Summary: The proposed version of the regulation is not anticipated to have any appreciable negative economic impact on the department, other agencies, small businesses or the public.

K.A.R. 115-25-14. This exempt regulation establishes creel limits, size limits, possession limits, and open seasons for fishing. The proposed version of the regulation would update the reference document related to creel limits and size limits at various bodies of water throughout the state.

Economic Impact Summary: The proposed version of the regulation is not anticipated to have any appreciable negative economic impact on the department, other agencies, small businesses or the public.

Copies of the complete text of the regulations and their respective economic impact statements may be obtained by writing the chairman of the Commission at the address above, electronically on the department's website at www.kdwpt.state.ks.us, or by calling (785) 296-2281.

Gerald Lauber, Chairman

115-2-1. Amount of fees. The following fees shall be in effect for the following licenses, permits, and other issues of the department: (a) Hunting licenses and permits.

Resident hunting license \$18.00			
Resident senior hunting license (annual purchase, 65 years of age through 74 years			
of age)			
Resident hunting license (one-time purchase, valid from 16 years of age through 20			
years of age)40.00			
Nonresident hunting license			
Nonresident junior hunting license (under 16 years of age)			
Resident big game hunting permit:			
General resident: either-sex elk permit			
General resident: antlerless-only elk permit			
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): either-sex elk permit125.00			
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): antlerless-only elk permit50.00			
Landowner/tenant: either-sex elk permit			
Landowner/tenant: antlerless-only elk permit50.00			
Hunt-on-your-own-land: either-sex elk permit			
Hunt-on-your-own-land: antlerless-only elk permit			
General resident: deer permit			
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): deer permit			
General resident: antlerless-only deer permit			

General resident youth (under 16 years of age): antlerless-only deer permit7.50
Landowner/tenant: deer permit
Hunt-on-your-own-land: deer permit
Special hunt-on-your-own-land: deer permit
General resident: antelope permit
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): antelope permit20.00 10.00
Landowner/tenant: antelope permit
Hunt-on-your-own-land: antelope permit
Antelope preference point service charge
Any-deer preference point service charge
Application fee for elk permit
Wild turkey permit:
General resident: turkey permit (1-bird limit)
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey permit (1-bird limit)10.00 5.00
Landowner/tenant: turkey permit (1-bird limit)
Landowner/tenant: turkey permit (1-bird limit)
Nonresident: turkey permit (1-bird limit)
Nonresident: turkey permit (1-bird limit)

Resident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey game tag (1-bird limit) 5.00
Nonresident: turkey game tag (1-bird limit)
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey game tag (1-bird limit)10.00
Spring wild turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit, must be purchased before
April 1 of year of use):
General resident: turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit)25.00
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey permit and game tag combination
(2-bird limit)
Landowner/tenant: turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit)15.00
Nonresident: turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit)45.00
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey permit and game tag combination
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit)
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(2-bird limit) 20.00 Nonresident big game hunting permit: 75.00 Nonresident hunt-on-your-own-land: deer permit 75.00 Nonresident: deer permit (antlered deer) 300.00 Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): deer permit (antlered deer) 75.00
(2-bird limit) 20.00 Nonresident big game hunting permit: 75.00 Nonresident hunt-on-your-own-land: deer permit 75.00 Nonresident: deer permit (antlered deer) 300.00 Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): deer permit (antlered deer) 75.00 Nonresident: deer permit (antlerless only) 50.00

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antlerless white-tailed deer)
Nonresident: antelope permit (archery only)
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): antelope (archery only)100.00
Nonresident: deer permit application fee
Nonresident: mule deer stamp
48-hour waterfowl hunting permit
Field trial permit: game birds
Lifetime hunting license
or eight quarterly installment payments of
Migratory waterfowl habitat stamp
Special dark goose hunting permit
Sandhill crane hunting permit: validation fee
Disabled person hunt-from-a-vehicle permit
(b) Fishing licenses and permits.
Resident fishing license
Resident senior fishing license (annual purchase, 65 years of age through 74 years
of age)9.00
Resident fishing license (one-time purchase, valid from 16 years of age through 20
years of age)40.00
Nonresident fishing license

24-hour fishing license
Three-pole permit
Tournament bass pass
Paddlefish permit (six carcass tags)
Paddlefish permit youth (under 16 years of age) (six carcass tags)
Hand fishing permit
Floatline fishing permit0
Lifetime fishing license
or eight quarterly installment payments of
Five-day nonresident fishing license
Institutional group fishing license
Special nonprofit group fishing license
Trout permit
(c) Combination hunting and fishing licenses and permits.
Resident combination hunting and fishing license
Resident senior combination hunting and fishing license (annual purchase, 65 years of age
through 74 years of age)
Resident combination hunting and fishing license (one-time purchase, valid from 16
years of age through 20 years of age)
Resident lifetime combination hunting and fishing license

or eight quarterly installment payments of			
Resident senior lifetime combination hunting and fishing license (one-time purchase, valid			
65 years of age and older)			
Nonresident combination hunting and fishing license			
(d) Furharvester licenses.			
Resident furharvester license			
Resident junior furharvester license			
Lifetime furharvester license			
or eight quarterly installment payments of			
Nonresident furharvester license			
Nonresident bobcat permit (1-bobcat limit per permit)			
Resident fur dealer license			
Nonresident fur dealer license			
Field trial permit: furbearing animals			
(e) Commercial licenses and permits.			
Controlled shooting area hunting license			
Resident mussel fishing license			
Nonresident mussel fishing license			
Mussel dealer permit			
Missouri river fishing permit			

Game breeder permit			
Controlled shooting area operator license			
Commercial dog training permit			
Commercial fish bait permit			
Commercial prairie rattlesnake harvest permit (without a valid Kansas hunting license)20.00			
Commercial prairie rattlesnake harvest permit (with a valid Kansas hunting license or			
exempt from this license requirement)			
Commercial prairie rattlesnake dealer permit			
Prairie rattlesnake round-up event permit			
(f) Collection, scientific, importation, rehabilitation, and damage-control permits.			
Scientific, educational, or exhibition permit			
Raptor propagation permit0			
Rehabilitation permit0			
Wildlife damage-control permit			
Wildlife damage-control permit			
Wildlife importation permit			
Wildlife importation permit			
Wildlife importation permit			

Testing fee
(h) Miscellaneous fees.
Duplicate license, permit, stamp, and other issues of the department10.00
Special departmental services, materials, or supplies
Vendor bond
For bond amounts of \$5,000.00 and less50.00
For bond amounts of more than \$5,000.0050.00
plus \$6.00 per additional \$1,000.00 coverage or any fraction thereof.
(Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25,
L. 2012, Ch. 154, Sec. 1, and K.S.A. 2011 2012 Supp. 32-988, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 154, Sec. 7;
implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-988, and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-9,100;
effective Dec. 4, 1989; amended Sept. 10, 1990; amended Jan. 1, 1991; amended June 8, 1992; amended
Oct. 12, 1992; amended April 11, 1994; amended Aug. 29, 1994; amended June 5, 1995; amended Aug.
21, 1995; amended Feb. 28, 1997; amended July 30, 1999; amended Jan. 2, 2002; amended Jan. 1, 2003;
amended Jan. 1, 2004; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended Jan. 1, 2006; amended May 1, 2006; amended
Jan. 1, 2007; amended Jan. 1, 2008; amended Jan. 1, 2009; amended Jan. 1, 2010; amended Aug. 1,
2010; amended Jan. 1, 2011; amended Jan. 1, 2013; amended April 19, 2013; amended P

K.A.R. 115-2-1. Amount of fees.

<u>DESCRIPTION:</u> This permanent regulation establishes fish and wildlife-related license and permit fees. The proposed amendments would reduce prices for resident and nonresident youth big game and turkey permits.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: The fee structure that is proposed will result in a reduction to the wildlife fee fund of approximately \$191,430, assuming no increases in participation result from the reduction. No other appreciable negative economic impact is anticipated for other agencies, small businesses, or the public.

115-7-10. Fishing; special provisions. (a) A person who takes any fish from a body of water shall not tag, mark, brand, clip any fin of, mutilate, or otherwise disfigure any fish in a manner that would prevent species identification, examination of fins, recovery of tags, or determination of sex, age, or length of the fish before releasing the fish back into the body of water, unless a permit authorizing this activity has been issued to that person by the department.

- (b) No person may possess any live fish upon departure from any designated aquatic nuisance body of water, except during a department-permitted fishing tournament. During a department-permitted fishing tournament, any individual may possess live fish upon departure from designated aquatic nuisance waters along the most direct route to the weigh-in site if the individual possesses a department authorization certificate as a participant in the tournament. Designated aquatic nuisance waters shall be those specified in the department's "Kansas designated aquatic nuisance waters tables," dated October 2, 2012, which is hereby adopted by reference.
- (c) Each person who purchases live baitfish from a commercial bait dealer shall possess the receipt while fishing with the live baitfish.
- (d) No person may fish or collect bait within a fish passage, fish ladder, fish steps, or fishway. "Fish passage, fish ladder, fish steps, or fishway" shall mean a structure that facilitates the natural migration of fish upstream on, through, or around an artificial barrier or dam.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2013. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25; effective Nov. 20, 2009; amended Jan. 1, 2012; amended Jan. 1, 2013; amended P-______.)

K.A.R. 115-7-10. Fishing; special provisions.

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>: This permanent regulation establishes special provisions related to fishing.

The proposed amendments would prohibit fishing within a fish passage, fish ladder, fish steps, or fishway to reduce boater and angler conflicts.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: It is anticipated that there would be no substantive economic impact to the department, other state agencies, small businesses, or the public.

- 115-25-6. Turkey; spring season, bag limit, permits, and game tags. (a) The open season for the taking of turkey by archery equipment only shall begin on the first day of April and shall continue through the day before the opening day of the open season specified in subsection (b) in all turkey management units. All turkey permits and second turkey game tags issued for the open season shall be valid during this season for use with archery equipment only. On and after February 1, 2015, the open season for the taking of turkey by archery equipment only shall begin on the first Monday after the first Saturday in April and shall continue through the day before the opening day of the open season specified in subsection (b) in all turkey management units. All turkey permits and second turkey game tags issued for the open season shall be valid during this season for use with archery equipment only.
- (b) The open season for the taking of turkey by use of firearms or archery equipment shall begin on the second Wednesday in April and shall continue through the last day in May. On and after February 1, 2015, the open season for the taking of turkey by use of firearms or archery equipment shall begin on the second Wednesday after the first Saturday in April and shall continue through the last day in May.
- (c)(1) The season for designated persons for the taking of turkey shall begin on the first day of April and shall continue through the day before the opening day of the open season specified in subsection (b) in all turkey management units. All turkey permits and second turkey game tags issued for the open season shall be valid during this season.
 - (2) The following persons may hunt during the season for designated persons:
- (A) Any person having a valid turkey permit or second turkey game tag who is 16 years of age or younger, while under the immediate supervision of an adult who is 18 years of age or older;

- (B) any person with a permit to hunt from a vehicle issued according to K.A.R. 115-18-4; and
- (C) any person with a disability assistance permit issued according to K.A.R. 115-18-15.
- (d) The legal limit shall be one bearded turkey per turkey permit and one bearded turkey per second turkey game tag where game tags are authorized.
- (e) The units and the number of permits authorized for the taking of turkey during the established season shall be as follows:
- (1) Unit 1. Unit 1 shall consist of that area bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state line south on federal highway US-183 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, then west on interstate highway I-70 to the Colorado-Kansas state line, then north along the Colorado-Kansas state line to its junction with Nebraska-Kansas state line, and then east along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-183, except federal and state sanctuaries. An unlimited number of permits and an unlimited number of second turkey game tags shall be authorized for unit 1.
- (2) Unit 2. Unit 2 shall consist of that area bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state line south on federal highway US-81 to its junction with interstate highway I-135, then south on interstate highway I-135 to its junction with federal highway US-56, then west on federal highway US-56 to its junction with state highway K-96, then west on state highway K-96 to its junction with federal highway US-183, then north on federal highway US-183 to its junction with the Nebraska-Kansas state line, and then east along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-183, except federal and state sanctuaries. An unlimited number of permits and an unlimited number of second turkey game tags shall be authorized for unit 2.
 - (3) Unit 3. Unit 3 shall consist of that area bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state

line south on federal highway US-81 to its junction with interstate highway I-135, then south on interstate highway I-135 to its junction with federal highway US-56, then east on federal highway US-56 to its junction with state highway K-150, then east on state highway K-150 to its junction with federal highway US-50, then east on federal highway US-50 to its junction with interstate highway I-35, then northeast on interstate highway I-35 to its junction with the Missouri-Kansas state line, then north along the Missouri-Kansas state line to its junction with Nebraska-Kansas state line, and then west along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-81, except federal and state sanctuaries. An unlimited number of permits and an unlimited number of second turkey game tags shall be authorized for unit 3.

- (4) Unit 4. Unit 4 shall consist of that portion of the state bounded by a line from the Kansas-Colorado state line east on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with federal highway US-183, then south on federal highway US-183 to its junction with federal highway US-54, then southwest on federal highway US-54 to the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, then west along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with the Colorado-Kansas state line, and then north along the Colorado-Kansas state line to its junction with interstate highway I-70, except federal and state sanctuaries. A total of 500 permits shall be authorized for unit 4, and all youth permits shall also be valid in unit 4.
- (5) Unit 5. Unit 5 shall consist of that portion of the state bounded by a line from the Oklahoma-Kansas state line north on interstate highway I-35 to its junction with federal highway US-56, then west on federal highway US-56 to its junction with state highway K-96, then west on state highway K-96 to its junction with federal highway US-183, then south on federal highway US-183 to its junction

with federal highway US-54, then southwest on federal highway US-54 to the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, and then east along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with interstate highway I-35, except federal and state sanctuaries. An unlimited number of permits and an unlimited number of second turkey game tags shall be authorized for unit 5.

- (6) Unit 6. Unit 6 shall consist of that portion of the state bounded by a line from the Oklahoma-Kansas state line north on interstate highway I-35 to its junction with federal highway US-56, then east on federal highway US-56 to its junction with state highway K-150, then east on state highway K-150 to its junction with federal highway US-50, then east on federal highway US-50 to its junction with interstate highway I-35, then northeast on interstate highway I-35 to its junction with the Missouri-Kansas state line, then south along the Missouri-Kansas state line to its junction with the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, and then west along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with interstate highway I-35, except federal and state sanctuaries. An unlimited number of permits and an unlimited number of second turkey game tags shall be authorized for unit 6.
- (f) Turkey permits and second turkey game tags shall be valid only for the unit or units designated on the turkey permit or second turkey game tag, except that youth turkey permits shall be valid in all units and unit 4 turkey permits shall also be valid in adjacent units.
- (g) Only those individuals who have purchased a turkey permit shall be eligible to purchase a second turkey game tag.
- (h) Each turkey permit and each second turkey game tag purchased during the open season shall be valid beginning on the calendar day after the date of purchase.

(i) This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2014. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-969.)

K.A.R. 115-25-6. Turkey; spring season, bag limit, permits and game tags.

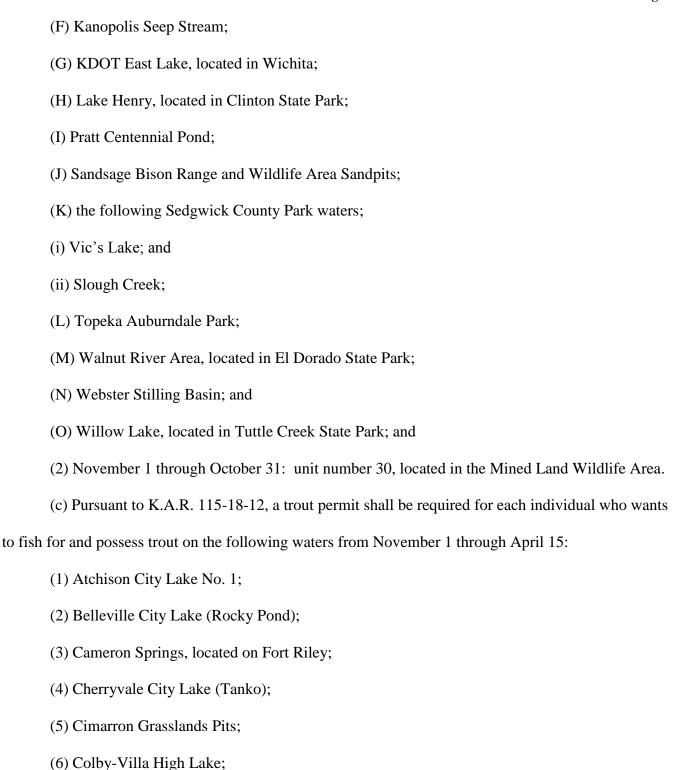
<u>DESCRIPTION</u>: This proposed exempt regulation establishes hunting unit boundaries, bag limits and season dates for the spring turkey hunting season. The proposed changes would change opening dates beginning in 2015, splitting the youth season opening date from the archery season and moving back the firearms season opening date by one week.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: It is anticipated that approximately 47,165 permits and 26,289 turkey game tags will be issued in 2014, based on 2013 permit allocation data. The estimated 47,165 permits include 27,055 regular resident permits (of which 4,065 are resident youth permits), 5,671 landowner-tenant permits, and 14,553 non-resident permits. The estimated 26,289 turkey game tags include 15,406 resident game tags and 10,883 nonresident game tags. Estimated revenue if the above number of permits and tags are issued would be \$1,300,280.00. Administrative costs associated with the season are borne by the department.

Approximately 320,000 recreational days of hunting could occur, thus providing economic benefit to businesses providing goods and services. No other economic impact on the department, general public, small businesses, or on other state agencies is anticipated.

- **115-25-14. Fishing; creel limit, size limit, possession limit, and open season.** (a) The open season for the taking of fish in Kansas shall be January 1 through December 31, with the following exceptions:
- (1) The flowing portions and backwaters of the Missouri river and any oxbow lake through which the Kansas-Missouri boundary passes, for which the open snagging season for the taking of paddlefish shall be March 15 through May 15;
- (2) the flowing portions of the Kansas river from its origin downstream to its confluence with the Missouri river and the flowing portions of the Arkansas river from its origin downstream to the Kansas-Oklahoma border and on federal reservoirs from 150 yards away from the dam to the upper end of the federal property, for which the open hand-fishing season for the taking of flathead catfish shall be from sunrise to sunset, June 15 through August 31;
- (3) the open season for floatline fishing shall be from sunrise to sunset, July 15 through September 15, on designated federal reservoirs; and
 - (4) those areas closed by posted notice.
- (b) Pursuant to K.A.R. 115-18-12, a trout permit shall be required for each individual who wants to fish on the following waters during the specified time periods:
 - (1) November 1 through April 15:
 - (A) Cedar Bluff Stilling Basin;
 - (B) Dodge City Lake Charles;
 - (C) Fort Scott Gun Park Lake;
 - (D) Garnett Crystal Lake;
 - (E) Glen Elder State Park Pond;



	(/) Great Bend Veterans Memorial Park Lake;		
	(8) Great Bend Stone Lake;		
	(9) Holton-Elkhorn Lake;		
	(10) Hutchinson Dillon Nature Center Pond;		
	(11) Kanopolis State Park Pond;		
	(12) Lake Shawnee, located in Shawnee County;		
	(13) Moon Lake, located on Fort Riley;		
	(14) Salina Lakewood Lake;		
	(15) Scott State Fishing Lake;		
	(16) Scott State Park Pond;		
	(17) the following Sedgwick County Park waters:		
	(A) Moss Lake; and		
	(B) Horseshoe Lake;		
	(18) Sherman County Smoky Gardens Lake;		
	(19) Solomon River between Webster Reservoir and Rooks County #2 Road; and		
	(20) Syracuse-Sam's Pond.		
	(d) The following daily creel limits and size limits shall apply to each pond, lake, impoundment,		
and of	her water of the state that is open to public fishing access, and to all perennial and intermittent		
watercourses of the state, unless special creel limits and size limits apply pursuant to subsection (f).			
Specie	es <u>Creel Limit</u> <u>Size Limit</u>		

Black bass: largemouth,	5*	15"
spotted, or smallmouth		
Channel catfish or	10*	
blue catfish		
Trout	5*/2***	
Flathead catfish	5	
Walleye, sauger, saugeye	5*	15"
Pike family: northern pike,	2*	30"
tiger, or muskellunge		
Striped bass	2	
Wiper: striped bass hybrid	2	
Paddlefish	2**	
Crappie: white or black	50*	
All other species	No limit	

^{*} The daily creel limit shall be composed of a single listed species or a combination of the species in the listed species group.

(e) The possession limit shall be three daily creel limits.

^{**} The total snagging creel limit of paddlefish per calendar year shall be six paddlefish.

^{***} The two-trout-per-day creel limit shall be applicable to individuals under 16 years of age not in possession of a valid trout permit.

(f) Special size limits, creel limits, and bait restrictions for designated waters shall be those limits and restrictions specified in the department's "Kansas special size limits, creel limits, and bait restriction tables," dated July 31, 2013, which is hereby adopted by reference. All fish caught from these designated waters that are of a size or number that is illegal to possess shall be released unrestrained to the water immediately.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2014. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807.)

K.A.R. 115-25-14. Fishing; creel limit, size limit, possession limit, and open season.

<u>DESCRIPTION:</u> This exempt regulation establishes statewide limits and open seasons for fishing in Kansas. The proposed amendments relate to updates to the reference document related to length and creel limits for specific bodies of water.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: The proposed changes would likely have no substantive economic impact to the department, other state agencies, small businesses, or the public.